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MOTION BY SUPERVISOR YVONNE BRATHWAITE BURKE

APRIL 20, 2004

On Wednesday, April 14, 2004, at approximately 11:30 p.m., 54-year-old Ventress McCallum, owner of the popular M&M Soul Food restaurant chain was shot and killed outside his Ladera Heights home as he was getting out of his vehicle. He was found lying on the street and died of multiple wounds to the upper body. It appears Mr. McCallum's murder was a result of a premeditated robbery.

Ventress McCallum known as "Vennie Mac" was considered a great provider to his immediate family and the community and known for his contributions to numerous community organizations. The restaurant chain was started by McCallum's sister in 1968. He carried on his sister's legacy by opening several more M&M Soul Food restaurants in Los Angeles and Las Vegas, Nevada.

Ventress had returned home late on Wednesday night after visiting one of the restaurants. He was alone, however, witnesses said they heard gun shots and noticed Ventress lying on the street.

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I, THEREFORE, MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Authorize the offer of a reward in the amount of \$10,000 in return for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person (s) responsible for the shooting of Ventress McCallum, on April 14, 2004.

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